

# NASA Advisory Council HEOMD Committee

## HEOMD Overview



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# Human Exploration and Operations

## FY 2014 Budget Overview



- FY 2014 Budget Submit provides \$7.798 billion for HEO to lead and manage human spaceflight in and beyond low Earth orbit
- Guiding principle: focus on the mission
  - Utilize the International Space Station (ISS) to the fullest extent possible
- Develop human exploration capabilities required to explore beyond Earth orbit
- Partner with US industry to develop an American commercial crew capability to enable crew and cargo transportation to ISS
- Provide safe, reliable, access to space for NASA and NASA-sponsored payloads
- Deliver space communications and navigation services to customer missions
- Provide advanced research and technology for beyond low Earth orbit mission capabilities including an asteroid retrieval mission

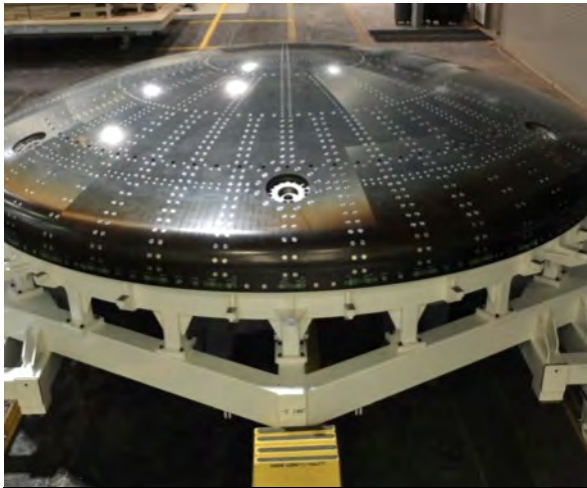
# Human Exploration and Operations Program Financial Plan - FY 2014 President's Budget Request



Budget Authority (\$ in Millions)	Notional				
	<u>FY 2014</u>	<u>FY 2015</u>	<u>FY 2016</u>	<u>FY 2017</u>	<u>FY 2018</u>
<b>Human Exploration and Operations (HEO)</b>	<b>7,798.4</b>	<b>7,966.9</b>	<b>7,966.9</b>	<b>7,966.9</b>	<b>7,966.9</b>
<b>Exploration</b>	<b>3,915.5</b>	<b>3,952.0</b>	<b>3,970.7</b>	<b>3,799.0</b>	<b>3,589.3</b>
Exploration Systems Development (ESD)	2,730.0	2,789.8	2,801.5	2,818.3	2,819.5
Orion Multi-Purpose Crew Vehicle (MPCV)	1,026.8	1,024.9	1,027.1	1,027.1	1,028.3
Space Launch System (SLS)	1,384.9	1,356.5	1,360.2	1,354.4	1,345.4
Exploration Ground Systems (EGS)	318.2	408.4	414.2	436.8	445.8
Commercial Spaceflight Program	821.4	821.4	821.4	590.0	371.0
Commercial Cargo	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Commercial Crew Program (CCP)	821.4	821.4	821.4	590.0	371.0
Exploration Research and Development (ERD)	364.2	340.8	347.8	390.7	398.7
Human Research Program (HRP)	165.1	164.6	169.5	175.4	180.0
Advanced Exploration Systems (AES)	199.0	176.2	178.3	215.3	218.7
<b>Space Operations</b>	<b>3,882.9</b>	<b>4,014.9</b>	<b>3,996.2</b>	<b>4,167.9</b>	<b>4,377.6</b>
International Space Station (ISS)	3,049.1	3,169.8	3,182.4	3,389.6	3,598.3
ISS Systems Operations and Maintenance	1,318.9				
ISS Research	226.4				
ISS Crew and Cargo Transportation	1,503.8				
Space Shuttle Program (SSP)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Space and Flight Support (SFS)	833.8	845.1	813.8	778.3	779.3
Space Communications and Navigation (SCaN)	554.5	562.7	521.4	506.5	507.5
Launch Services Program (LSP)	80.5	84.9	87.6	90.0	90.0
Rocket Propulsion Test Program (RPT)	47.8	47.3	47.7	48.0	48.0
Human Space Flight Operations (HSFO)	111.4	119.2	120.9	121.9	121.9
21st Century Space Launch Complex (21stCSLC)	39.6	31.0	36.2	11.8	11.8



# Orion Accomplishments



**Completed heat shield ready for transport to Textron in Boston, MA for Avcoat application**



**Inert Abort motor delivered to Operations and Checkout Building at KSC**



**Launch Abort System Ogive panel work at the Michoud Assembly Facility**



**Backshell panel drilling at the Operations and Checkout Building at KSC**



**Service module assembly at the Operations and Checkout Building at KSC**



**Super Guppy carrying the Orion Heat Shield arriving at Hanscom Air Force Base in Boston, MA**



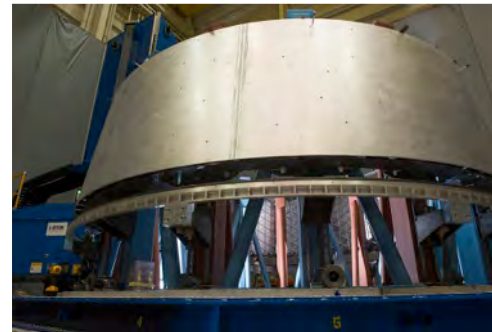
# SLS Accomplishments



**Systems Engineering & Integration  
SLS model wind tunnel testing at  
Langley Research Center  
Nov 2012**



**J-2X upper stage engine hot-  
fire test at Stennis Space  
Center  
Feb 2013**



**Multi-Purpose Crew Vehicle Stage  
Adapter (MSA) Flight Hardware  
at Marshall Space Flight Center  
March 2013**



**Kennedy Space Center Pad 39B  
(artist's concept) with new  
crawler transporter and control  
room  
Jan 2013**



**RS-25 Engines at  
Stennis Space  
Center Oct 2012,  
shown with future  
RS-25 Test Stand  
A1**



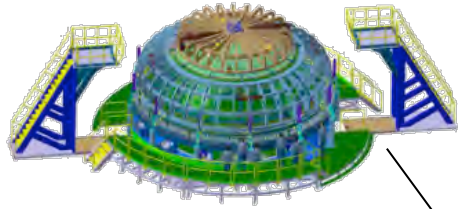
**F-1 engine gas generator – technology  
demonstration for an optional Advanced Booster  
concept – hot-fire test at Marshall Space Flight  
Center, Jan 2013**



**Qualification Motor 1 casting at  
ATK  
Oct 2012**

***System Requirements Review/System Definition Review Completed***

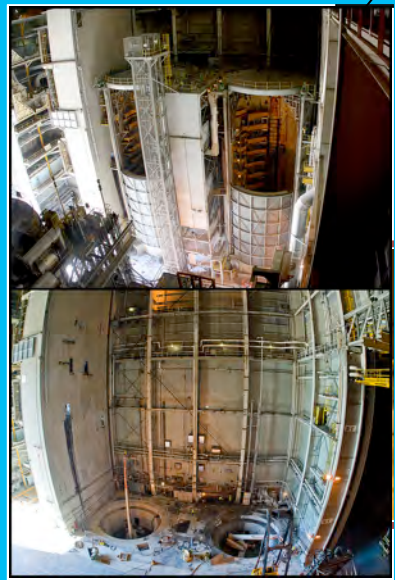
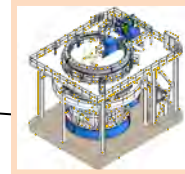
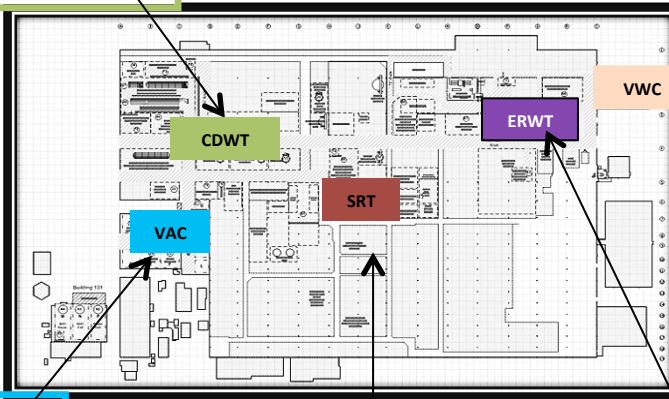
# Stages Manufacturing, Assembly, & Production/Operations Snapshot at MAF



## Next Big Step

Tooling  
Availability

May- Enhanced Robotic Weld Tool (ERWT)  
June- Vertical Weld Center (VWC)





# Stages “Green Run” Test Buildup at SSC B-2



Stage is  
211” Tall

Stage Testing

Next Big Step

April 30% Design on Structural Build- Out & Electrical  
Restoration

June Work Package 3 of 5 Awarded

Upper Superstructure

Level 18

Level 16

Level 11

Level 8

Level 7



Level 7 Side after Demo  
& LOX Transfer Line



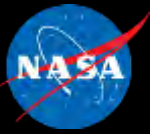
Above: Aspirator and  
Level 7 Demolition

Left: B-2 Flame  
Deflector Flow Testing

NASA Stennis Space Center, MS  
Test Stand B-2 Stages Green Run



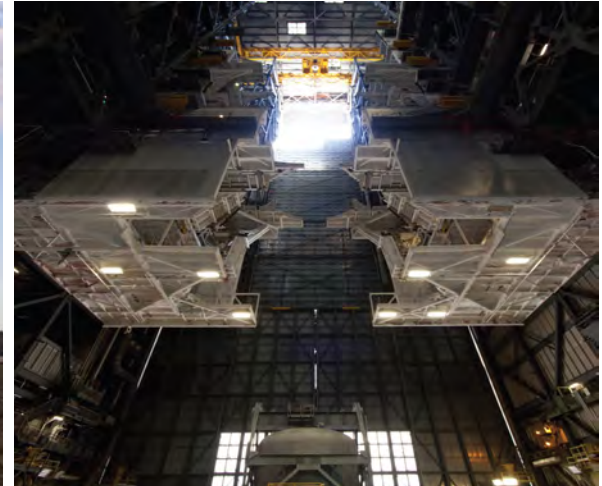
# GSDO Accomplishments



**Crawler-transporter  
Modifications**



**Crawlerway  
Modifications**



**VAB  
Modifications**



**Pad 39B Modifications including  
new hydraulic elevators**



**Testing of  
Crawler-Transporter 2**



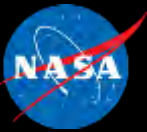
**Pad 39B new interface  
connections**



# Antares A-ONE Rocket On the Pad

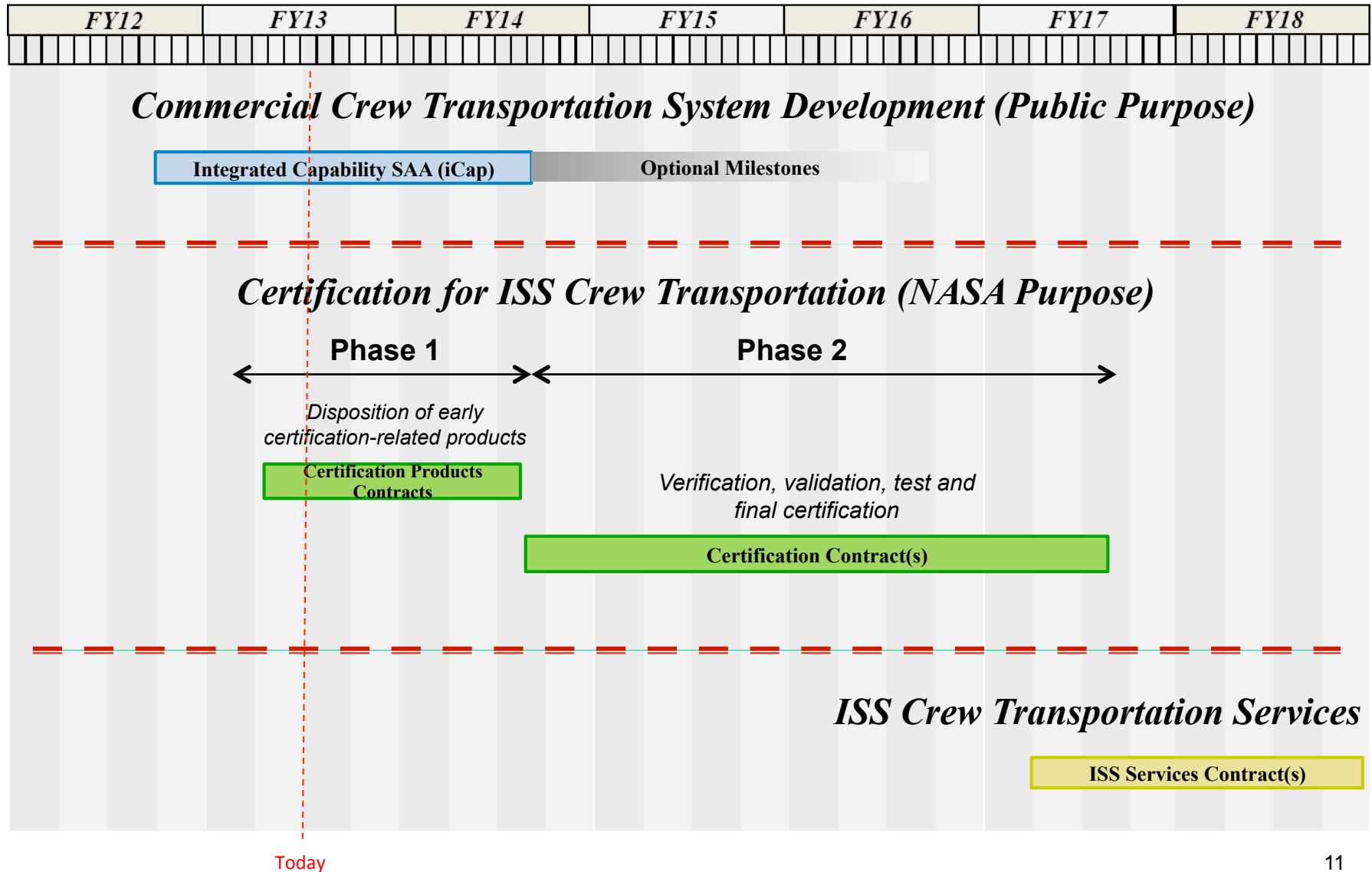


# Cygnus Preparation for Fuel

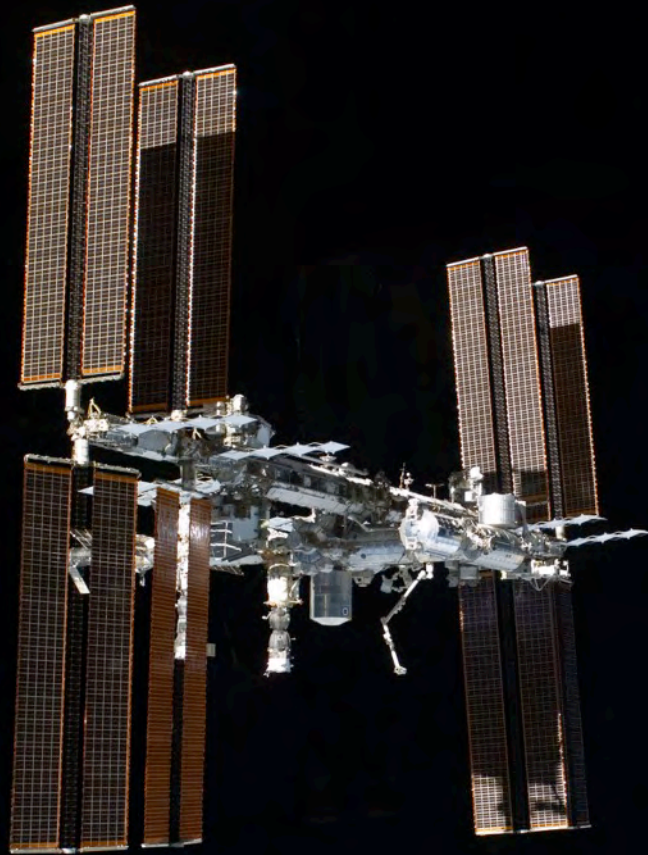




# CCP Roadmap



# ISS – Orbiting Microgravity Laboratory with Continued Human Presence in Low Earth Orbit





## Ongoing Research:

- Biology and Biotechnology
- Earth and Space Science
- Human Research
- Physical Research
- Technology

## Expeditions 35/36 Investigations – 140 Total

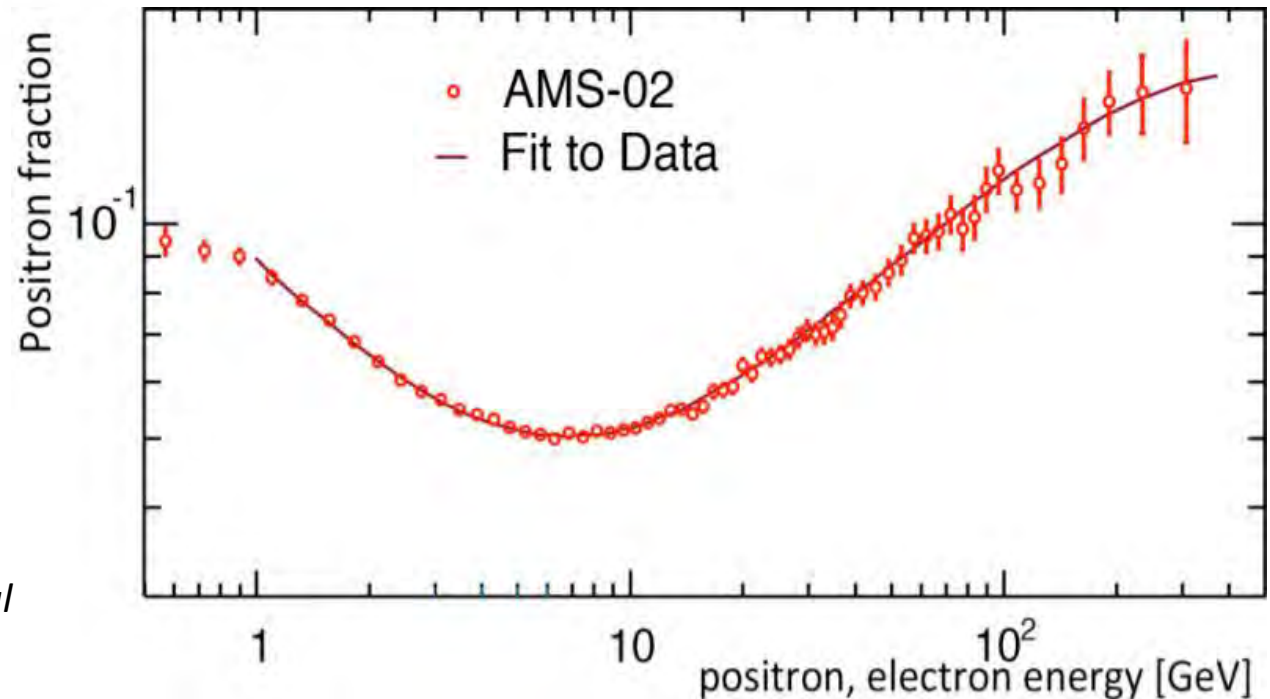
- 82 NASA/U.S.-led
- 58 International led
- More than 400 investigators represented

# International Space Station

## First Results from Alpha Magnetic Spectrometer



“The exact shape of the spectrum...extended to higher energies, will ultimately determine whether this spectrum originates from the collision of dark matter particles or from pulsars in the galaxy. The high level of accuracy of this data shows that AMS will soon resolve this issue.”



Credit: CERN Press Office  
release on paper in *Physical  
Review Letters*

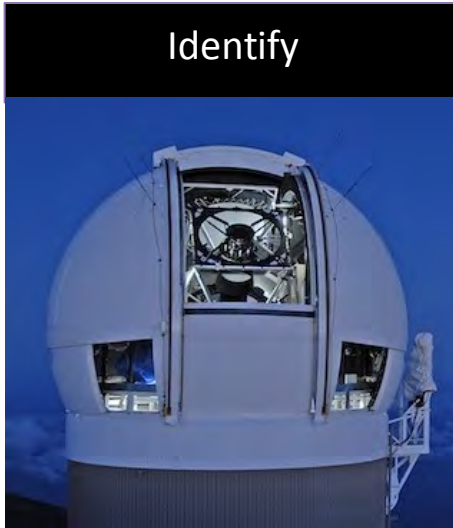


- **NASA's asteroid strategy aligns relevant portions of NASA's science, space technology, and human exploration capabilities for a human mission, advanced technology development, efforts to protect the planet, and engages new industrial capability and partnerships**
- **Leverages existing NASA efforts**
  - Asteroid Identification and Characterization efforts for target selection
  - Solar Electric Propulsion for transport to and return of the target asteroid
  - Robotic servicing techniques for capture
  - SLS and MPCV missions for asteroid rendezvous
- **Benefits future exploration objectives for carrying humans further into space than ever before**
  - Deep space navigation and rendezvous to enable crewed operations in deep space
  - High power solar electric propulsion to enable efficient transportation to deep space destinations
  - In space robotics for capture/control of uncooperative objects

# Asteroid Mission Would Consist of Three Main Segments



## Identify



### **Asteroid Identification Segment:**

Ground and space based NEA target detection, characterization and selection

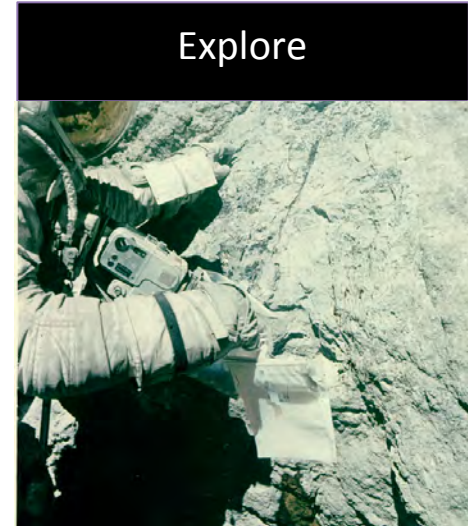
## Redirect



### **Asteroid Redirection Segment:**

Solar electric propulsion (SEP) based asteroid capture and maneuver to trans-lunar space

## Explore

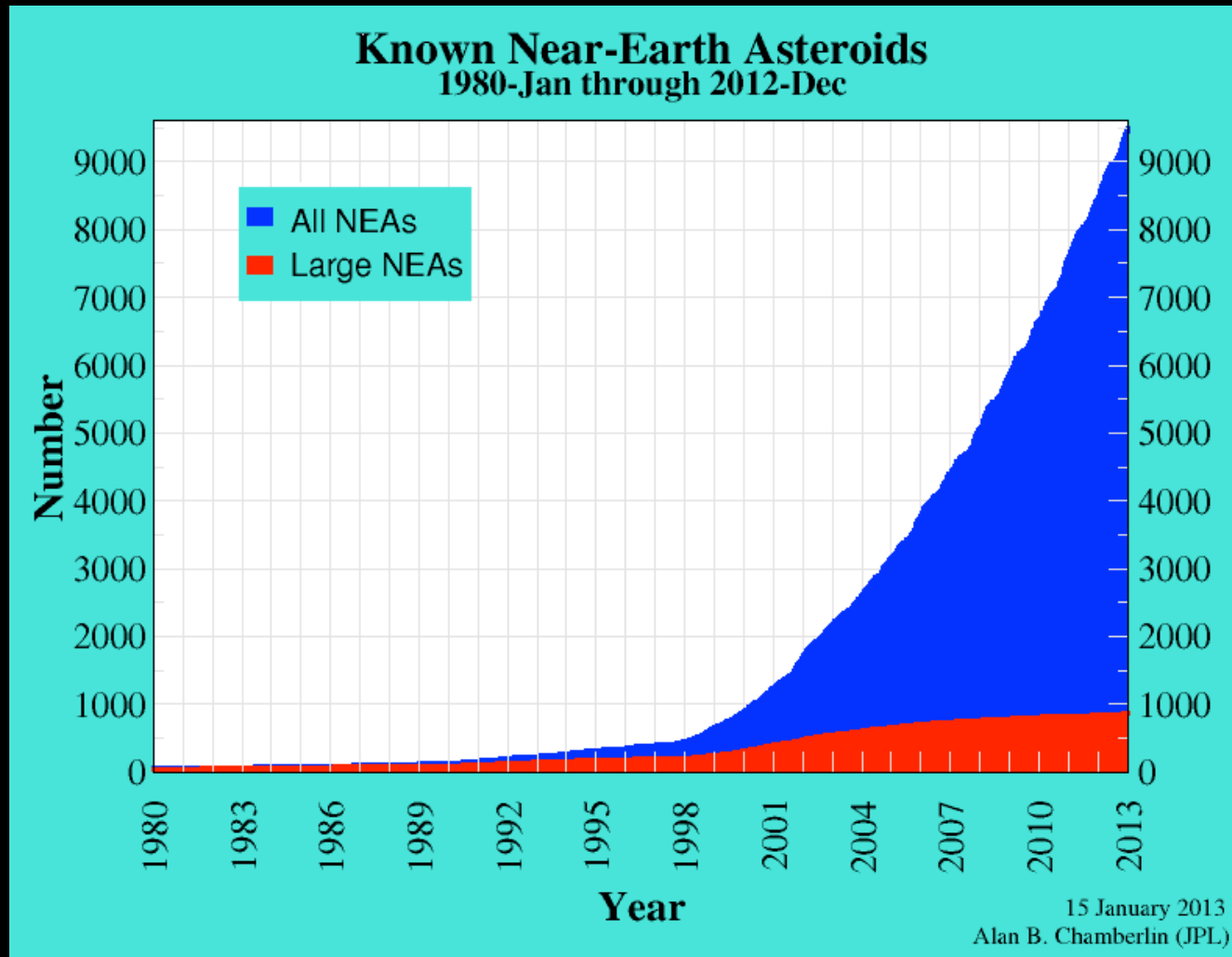


### **Asteroid Crewed Exploration Segment:**

Orion and SLS based crewed rendezvous and sampling mission to the relocated asteroid

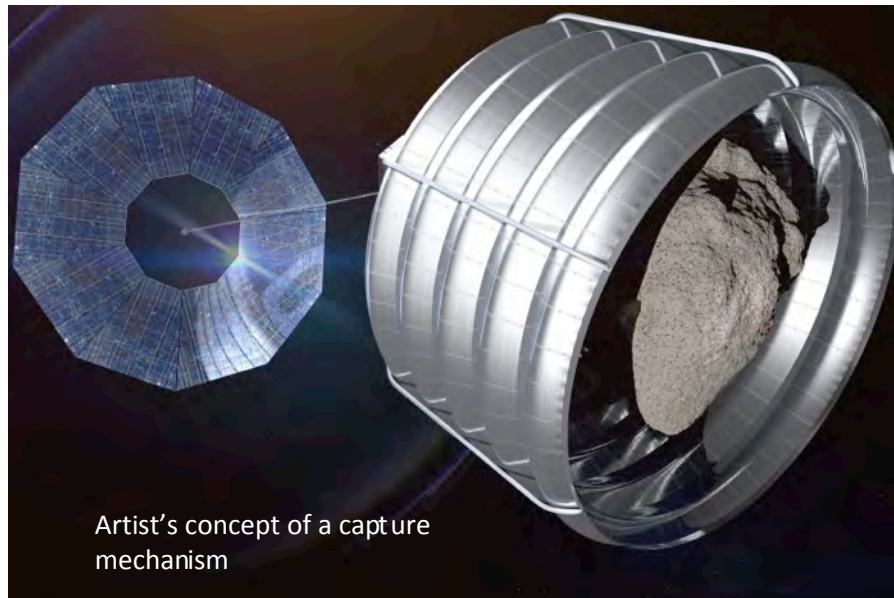
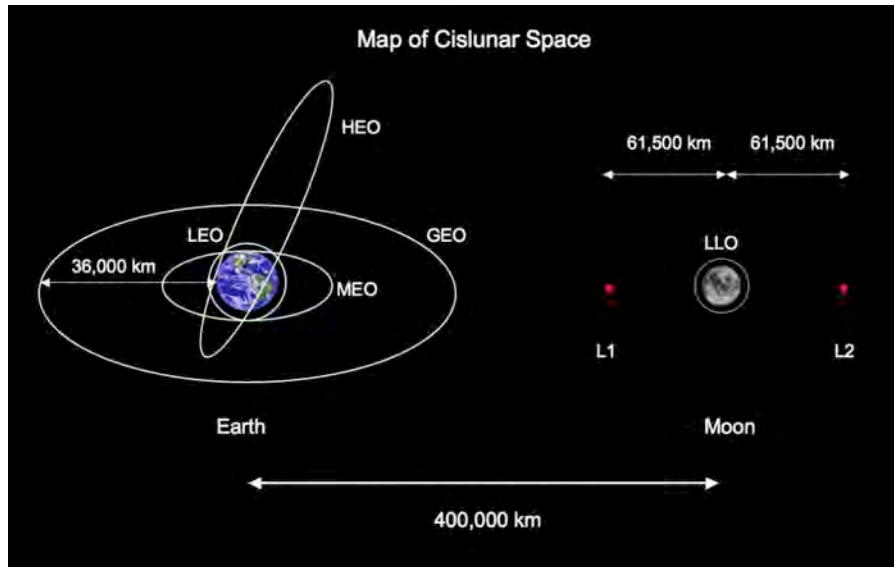


# Near-Earth Asteroids (NEAs) at a Glance



Approximately 300 10-m-class asteroids have been found,  
about 13 of which meet orbital criteria.

# Asteroid Capture & Retrieval Mission Concept



- **Capture and redirect a 7-10 meter diameter, ~500 ton near-Earth asteroid (NEA) to a stable orbit in trans-lunar space**
- **Enable astronaut missions to the asteroid as early as 2021**
- **Parallel and forward-leaning development approach**

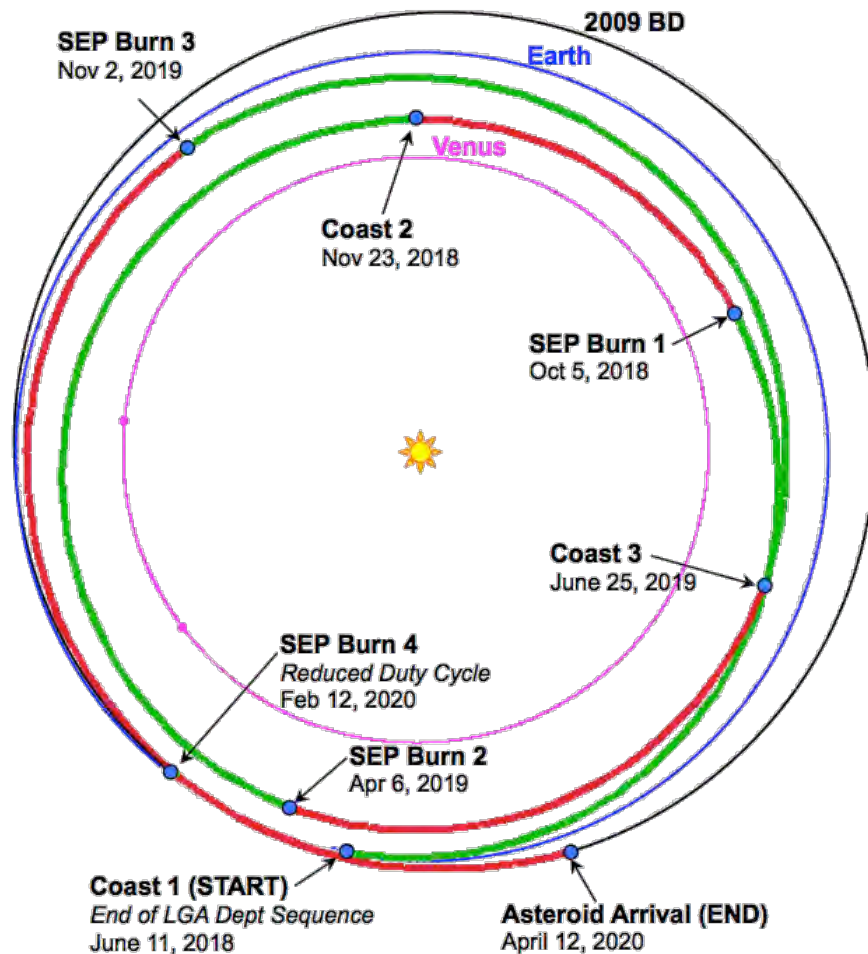


# Interplanetary Trajectory



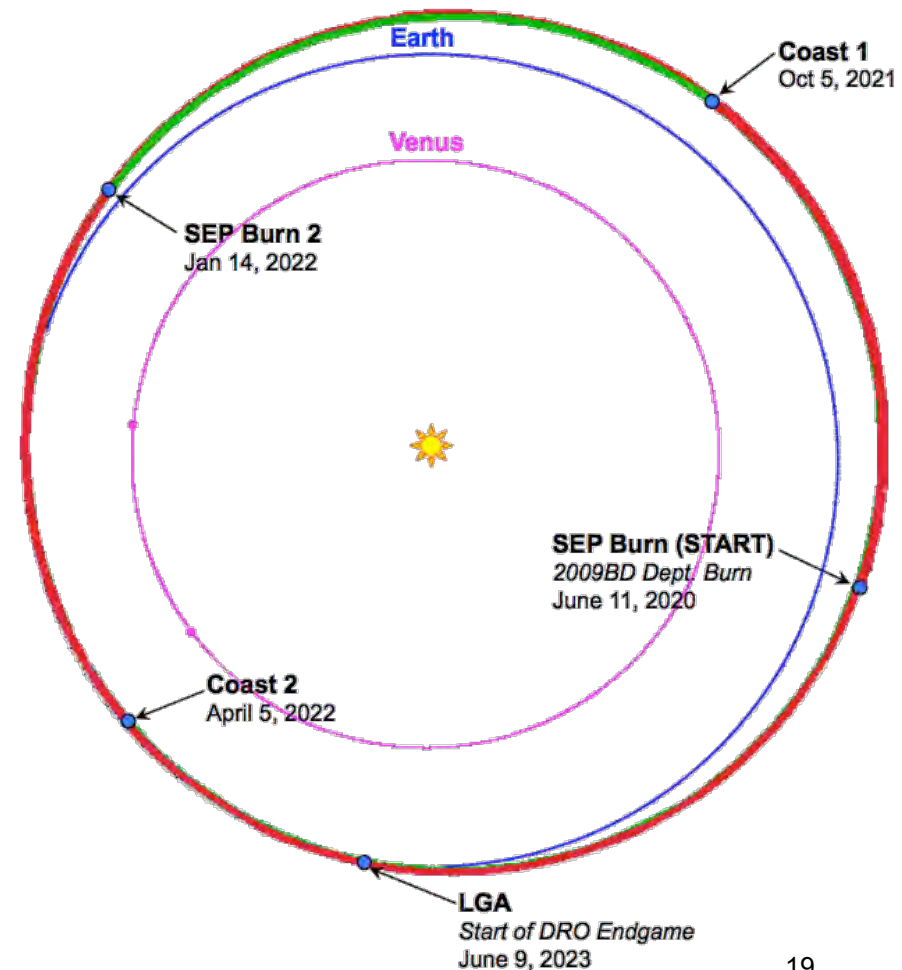
## Trajectory to Asteroid

DV = 3868 m/s TOF = 671 days (1.84 yr)



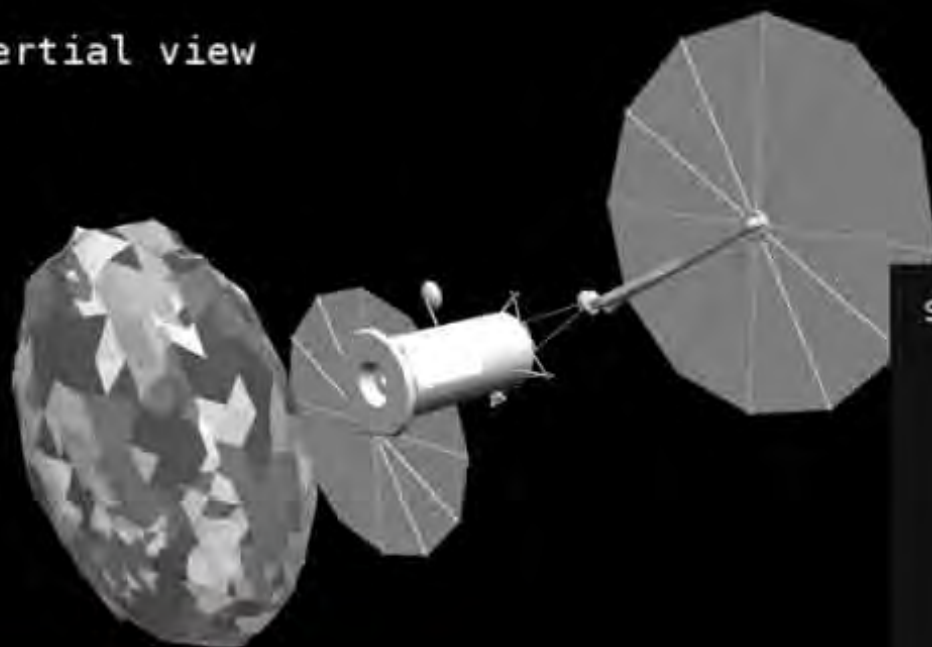
## Asteroid Retrieval

DV = 152 m/s TOF = 1092 days (2.99 yr)

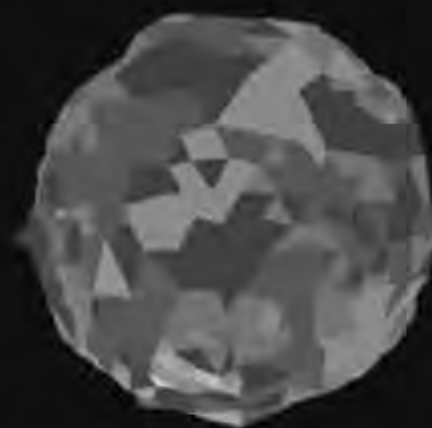


Inertial view

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Spacecraft view



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Solar Panel 1 Acceleration



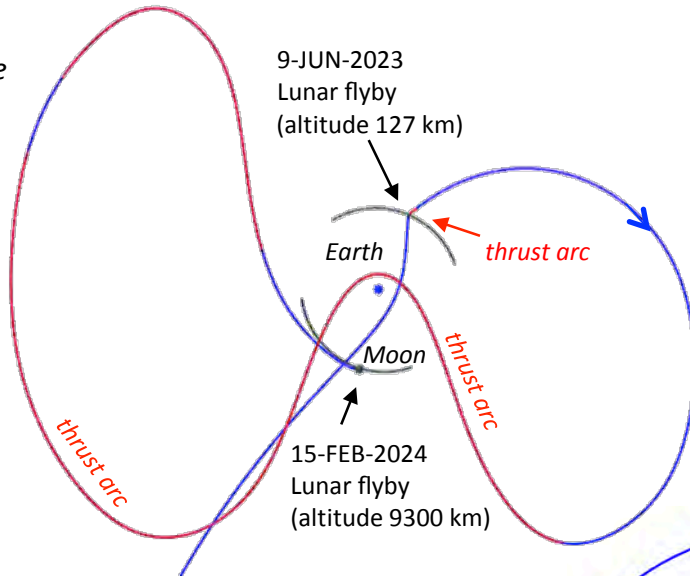


# Earth-Moon System Trajectory



Earth-Sun  
Rotating Frame

Sun  
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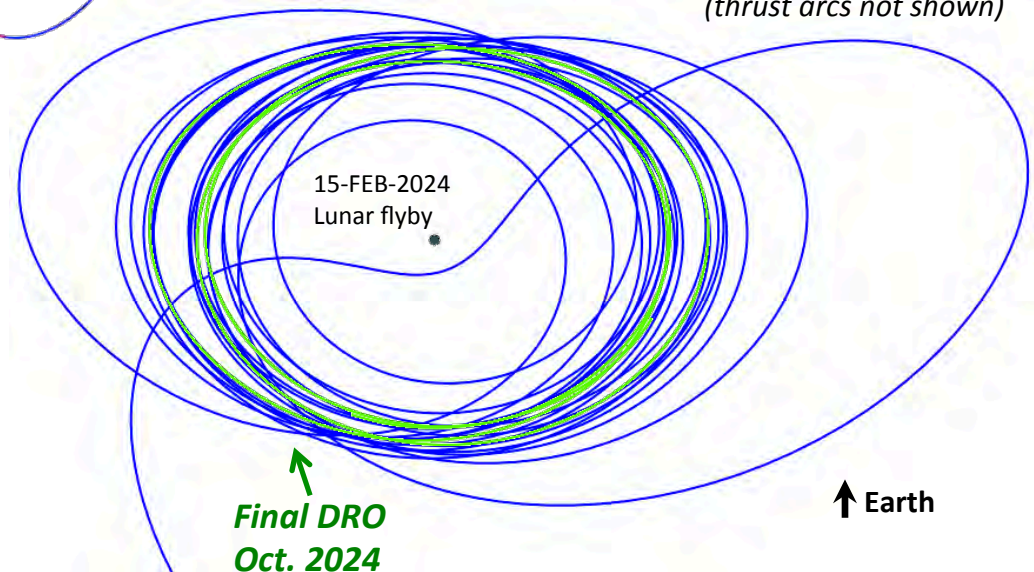


Trajectory to Storage Orbit

DV = 35 m/s

TOF = 251 days (0.7 yr)

Earth-Moon Rotating Frame  
(thrust arcs not shown)

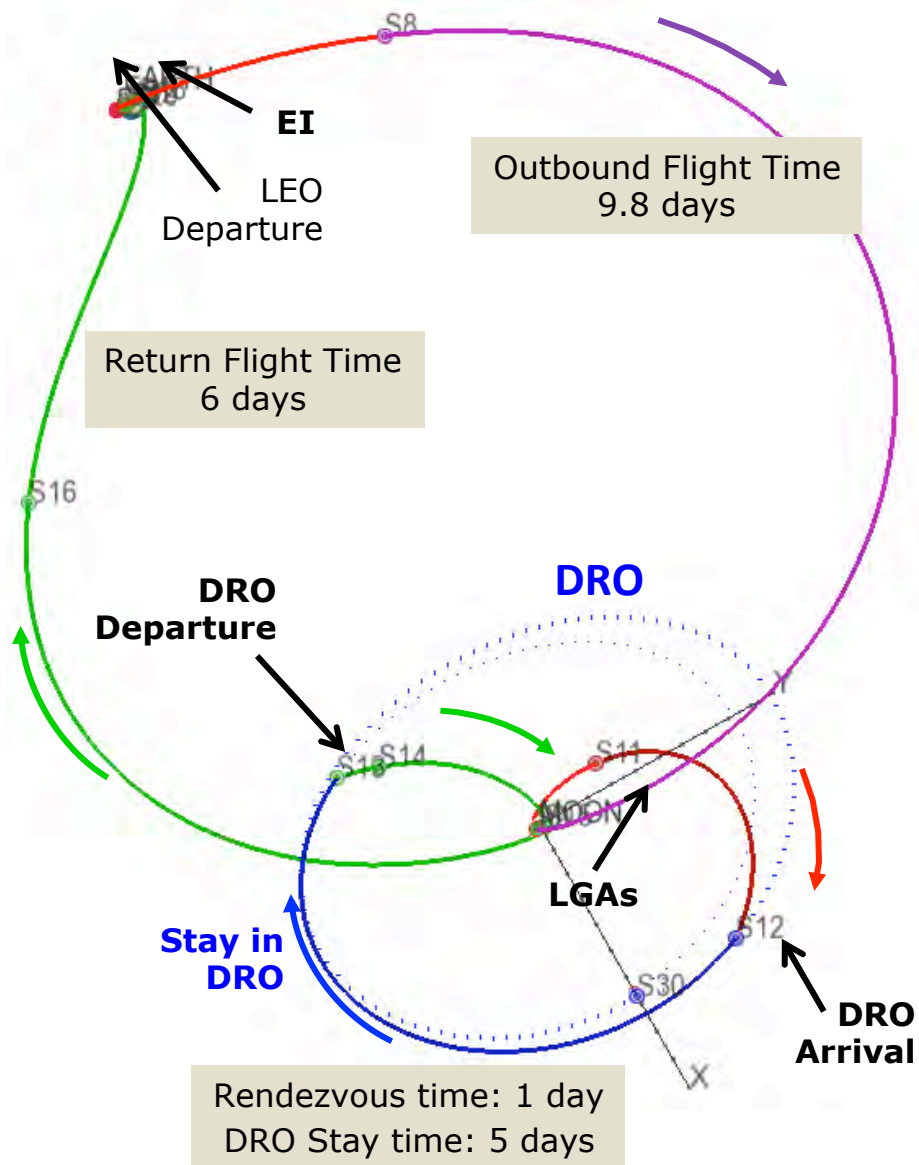


Orbit Trim Maneuvers  
(for long term stability)

DV = 25 m/s

TOF = 257 days (0.7 yr)

# 22 Day Nominal ARUM Mission Overview



- MECO Epoch: 2024-Aug-13 22:28:05TDB

- Entry velocity: 10.99 km/s

- Total iCPS  $\Delta v$ : 2,779.23 m/s (Use all iCPS capacity)

- Total MPCV  $\Delta v$ : 1,200 m/s (~40m/s margin)

- Total Mission Duration: 22 days

- Outbound**

- FD01 – Launch/TLI

- FD02-FD05 – Outbound Trans-Lunar Cruise

- FD06 – Lunar Gravity Assist

- FD07-FD09 – Lunar to DRO Cruise

- Joint Operations**

- FD10 – Rendezvous

- FD11 – EVA #1

- FD12 – Suit Refurbishment, EVA #2 Prep

- FD13 – EVA #2

- FD14 – Contingency/Departure Prep

- FD15 – Departure

- Inbound**

- FD16 – DRO to Lunar Cruise

- FD17 – Lunar Gravity Assist

- FD18-FD21 – Inbound Trans-Lunar Cruise

- FD22 – Earth Entry and Recovery

Mission Duration and timing of specific event will vary slightly based on epoch variation.



# Asteroid Mission Capabilities Support Long-Term Mars Strategy

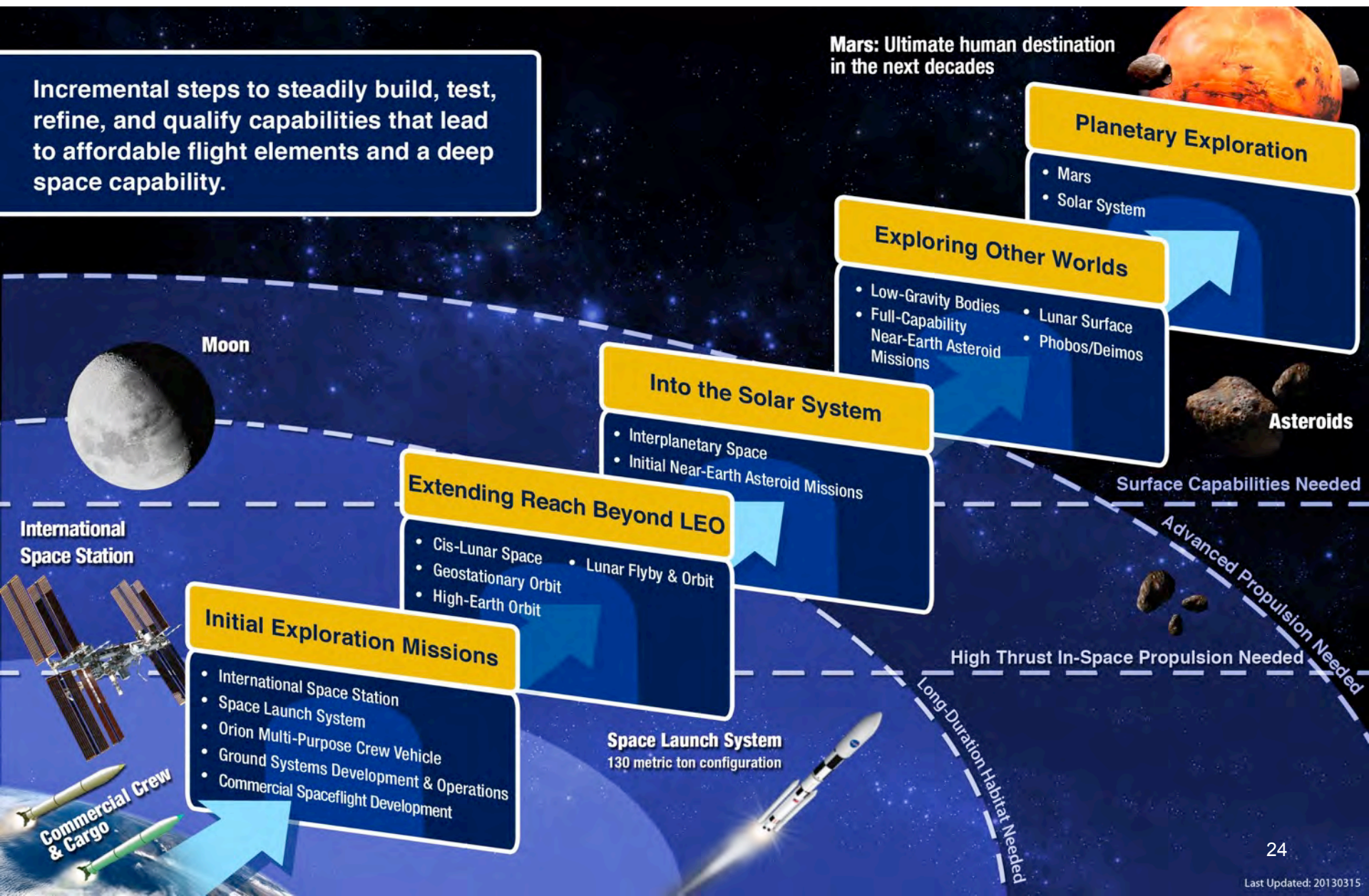


- **Demonstration of Core Capabilities for deep space missions:**
  - Block 1 SLS, MPCV, and ARV with 40kW Solar Electric Propulsion (SEP) system
  - EVA, proximity operations, AR&D, deep space navigation and communications
  - Human operations in beyond low earth orbit
  - Robotic sample acquisition, caching, storage operations, and crew transfer operations for future sample return missions (potential Lunar/ Mars Sample Return options)
- **Demonstrates ability to work and interact with a small planetary body:**
  - Systems for instrument placement, sample acquisition, material handing, and testing
  - Understanding of mechanical properties, environment, and mitigation of hazards

# Capability Driven Framework



Incremental steps to steadily build, test, refine, and qualify capabilities that lead to affordable flight elements and a deep space capability.



# Strategic Principles for Incremental Building of Capabilities



## Six key strategic principles to provide a sustainable program:

1. Executable with current ***budget with modest increases***.
2. Application of ***high Technology Readiness Level*** (TRL) technologies for near term, while focusing research on technologies to address challenges of future missions
3. ***Near-term mission*** opportunities with a defined cadence of compelling missions providing for an incremental buildup of capabilities for more complex missions over time
4. Opportunities for ***US Commercial Business*** to further enhance the experience and business base learned from the ISS logistics and crew market
5. ***Multi-use*** Space Infrastructure
6. Significant ***International participation***, leveraging current International Space Station partnerships



# Elements Required By Potential Destination



Phase	Capability	Potential Required Element	For Potential Destinations			
			L1/L2	Asteroid	Mars Orbit / Moons	Mars Surface
Getting There	BEO Access	Space Launch System (SLS)	X	X	X	X
	Crew	Orion	X	X	X	X
	High Thrust/Near Earth	Cryo Propulsion Stage (CPS)	X	X	Option	Option
	Low Thrust/Near Earth	Solar Electric Propulsion (SEP)	Option	Option	Option	Option
	High Thrust/Beyond LEO	Nuclear Thermal Propulsion (NTP)	Option	Option	Option	Option
	Low Thrust/Beyond LEO	Nuclear Electric Propulsion (NEP)	Option	Option	Option	Option
	Habitation	Habitat	Option	X	X	X
Working There	Descent	EDL / Landers				X
	Habitation	Habitat				X
	Micro-g Sortie and Surface Mobility	Robotics and Mobility		X	Option	X
	In Situ Resource Utilization	In-Situ Resource Utilization (ISRU)				X
	Surface Power	Fission Surface Power System				X
	EVA (nominal)	EVA Suits	X	X	X	X
Coming Home	Ascent	Ascent Vehicle				X
	Crew Return	Orion	X	X	X	X

## Note:

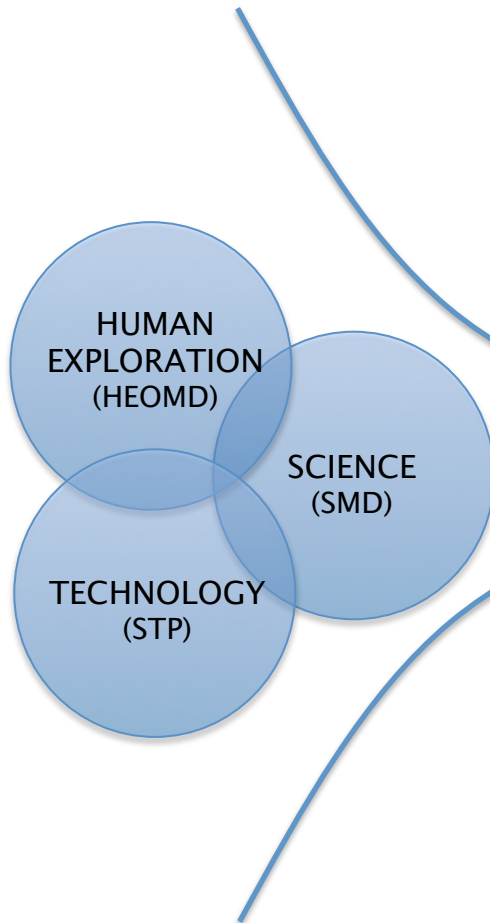
**X** - Required Elements/Capabilities for these potential destinations

**Option** - Element/Capability may be needed or multiple options could exist to enable missions for that specific potential destination or could be for verification for future needs.

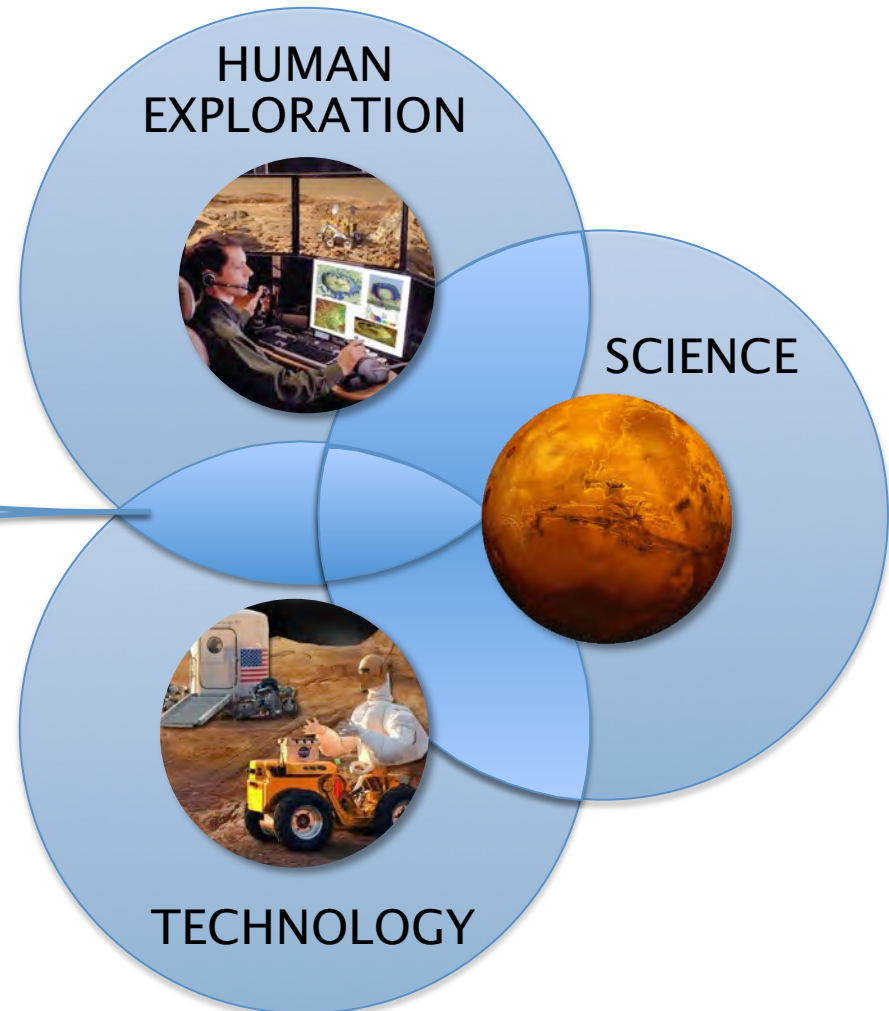
# Human Mars Exploration Focuses Agency Technology and Capability Development



*T O D A Y*



*F U T U R E*



# The Future of Human Space Exploration

*Exploration Destinations and One-Way Transit Times*



## Human Spaceflight Capabilities



Robotics and  
Mobility



Deep Space  
Habitation



Advanced  
Spacesuits



Advanced Space  
Communications



Advanced  
In-Space  
Propulsion



In Situ  
Resource  
Utilization



Human-Robotic  
Systems



- **Budget allows HEOMD to continue solid progress on existing activities**
  - SLS/Orion/Ground operations
  - ISS research, operations, and transportation
    - ISS proving value to research folks
  - Space Communications
  - Launch services
  - Commercial crew for low earth orbit
  - ISS research
  - Rocket propulsion and test
- **Budget is tight but workable**
- **Offers a strategy to link several planned activities into asteroid redirection**
- **Points the way an integrated approach to long term goal of Mars exploration**